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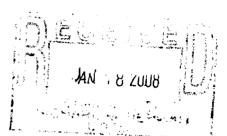
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BY HAND

The Honorable Richard M. Berman United States District Judge United States District Court for the Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 650 New York, New York 10007



United States v. Oscar Santana Ana Gallegos and Martin Arroyave (07-CR-960)

Dear Judge Berman:

We represent defendant Martin Arroyave in this matter. A status conference is currently scheduled for January 23, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. I write with the consent of the Government and counsel for co-defendant Oscar Gallegos to request an adjournment of this conference while the parties continue discussions in this matter. From a telephone conversation with your chambers, we understand that it may be possible to reschedule the conference for the afternoon of February 4th or February 5th. We consent to exclusion of this time under the Speedy Trial Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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